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**RESUBMITTED AMENDMENT A
WITH CLEAN VERSION OF CLAIMS**

Sir:

This is a plenary amendment responsive to the outstanding Office Action, paper no. 3, dated June

28, 2001 wherein Claims 1 - 7 were rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,027,281 issued to

Rekow, et al. on June 25, 1991. Applicant has filed a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action and has paid the current extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)).

The claims as now amended are now not anticipated by Rekow et al. Moreover, the amended claims are allowable over the art cited. Please note the amendment of the claims to reflect the invention disclosed and the remarks below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 - 7 as follows:

Claim 1 (amended). In a method of making a denture from digital information corresponding to an image of at least a part of a human oral cavity, said human oral cavity previously contained a plurality of natural teeth at a prior point in time, wherein